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FROM:

LLOYD W. PELLMAI

County Counsel

RE:

Denial Of Review Of Visitation Waiver Appeal

This is to report that the California Supreme Court today denied the County's petition for review of the Court of Appeal's decision upholding the Juvenile Court's order prohibiting the Department of Children and Family Services from issuing visitation waivers without court permission. The Supreme Court also denied the County's request for depublication of the Court of Appeal's decision.

When the case is returned to the Juvenile Court, we will file a motion requesting that the order be modified in accordance with the modification previously discussed with your Board. We anticipate that the Juvenile Court will regain jurisdiction of the case within the next week or two weeks.

We also continue to pursue settlement negotiations with the Alliance for Children's Rights, and will advise you further as the matter proceeds.

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